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### **Idaho Surpasses New York in July Milk Production**

Idaho's July milk production surpassed New York for the first time, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Idaho milk production during July 2008 totaled 1.10 billion pounds, a 7.7 percent increase from the same month last year. Idaho's July production ranked third in the nation, following California and Wisconsin. Idaho's July milk production was up 48 million pounds from revised June 2008. The June revision represented a decrease of 4 millions pounds or -0.4 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Average milk production per cow in July 2008 was 1,970 pounds, up 70 pounds from revised June 2008, and unchanged from July 2007. The average number of milk cows during July was 556,000 head, up 5,000 head from revised June 2008 and up 40,000 head from July 2007.

Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 14.8 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from July 2007. June revised production at 14.7 billion pounds, was up 3.2 percent from June 2007. The June revision represented a decrease of 19 million pounds or -0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,742 pounds for July, unchanged from July 2007. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.47 million head, 143,000 head more than July 2007, and 5,000 head more than June 2008.

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